In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, lines 4 to 19, with a replacement paragraph amended as follows:

In order to keep [[low]] the wear ~~and tear,~~ low, the cellular wheel sluice ~~operates under~~ is designed with a special wear ~~and tear~~ concept which increases the useful life of the wear-prone components ~~subject to wear and tear~~ to at least one year. Therefore, the cellular wheel webs 3 are constructed in their radially outer end or edge areas as shear-cutting edges ~~12. This concept prevents through~~ 12, and a counter-cutting edge 13 is arranged in the supply chute 2 ~~an entrance of~~ to cooperate with the shear-cutting edges 12 for shear-cutting any secondary fuel particles that come between the counter-cutting edge 13 and the shear-cutting edges 12. For this purpose, the shear-cutting edges 12 are oriented with the cutting edges thereof facing forward in the rotation direction of the cellular wheel 4, and the counter-cutting edge 13 is oriented opposed to the shear-cutting edges 12, namely with its cutting edge facing opposite the rotation direction of the cellular wheel 4. By such shear-cutting of the secondary fuel particles, the secondary fuel particles are prevented from entering into the gap between the housing sections 1, 26 and the cellular wheel 4. For this purpose there is additionally provided a preliminary scraper 20 in the supply chute 2. The preliminary scraper guides the

secondary fuel particles away from the sealing gaps into the dosing chamber 5. Additionally, the cutting edges 12 are constructed as separate wear resistant edges, which are made of stainless knife steel or other wear resistant steel alloys, and which are exchangeably secured to the radially outer end areas of the base members of the cellular wheel webs 3.